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DCI COUNTERNARCOTICS CENTER
TECHNOLOGY GROUP
STATUS AND PLANS

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BACKGROUND

In February 1989, the CIA/DS&T Counternarcotics Task Force published its recommendations for methods to bring technology to bear against the narcotics target. Those recommendations resulted from an exhaustive six months study effort by senior representatives from throughout the DS&T.

[redacted]
[redacted] To that
end, [redacted]
[redacted] and B) the
provision of general counternarcotics support in the form of
[redacted]
[redacted] and cooperative
efforts with other USG agencies involved in counternarcotics
activities. Within each of these broad categories, more
specific objectives were identified, together with attendant
equipment requirements and projected costs. Those
objectives are summarized in Table I.

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

As shown in Table I, at least some work has been done
against each of the Task Force objectives. Particularly
noteworthy among these were the [redacted]
[redacted]

Other equally promising activities were also initiated but
have not yet come to fruition.

It must be recognized, however, that the Task Force
addressed only the role of the DS&T in support of CIA
counternarcotics operations. With the establishment of the
CNC, the DS&T necessarily assumed a broader, community-wide
role. It must be further recognized that the dynamics of
the counternarcotics arena are such that requirements, as
perceived at any given time, are ever subject to rapid
change and clearly, a posture of flexibility must always be
maintained. For example, [redacted]
[redacted]

would have been modified

drastically in light of

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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TABLE I

COUNTERNARCOTICS PROGRAMS
ACCOMPLISHMENTS VS PLANNED PROGRAMS

PLANNED
OBJECT-
TIVE

OFFICE

	<u>EST FY90</u>
	<u>COST</u>

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

TOTAL

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To date, no FY-90 funds have been expended against these efforts; funding was obtained in FY-89 from sources other than the CNC.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

In addition to the items listed in Table I, other activities have been undertaken by the Technology Group and the results of those activities are noteworthy.

Staffing

Due largely to the careful process by which it's personnel were selected, the Technology Group reached a state of maturity and productivity in a relatively short period of time. Recognizing that the demands to be placed on the Group's two branches could potentially outweigh the capabilities of the mere [] staff, emphasis was placed on the acquisition of personnel constituting a wide diversity of backgrounds and experiences. In the [] [] Branch, for example, personnel represent essentially all offices of the DS&T and close liaison with those offices is maintained on an almost daily basis. Educational backgrounds cover the broad spectrum of the physical sciences, life sciences, social sciences and police science. The ADP Applications Branch is staffed by officers with an equal diversity of computer sciences related backgrounds. [] [] []

[] [] All personnel in the Group are present by virtue of voluntary action; there are no directed assignees. Staffing of the Group was essentially complete by mid-May [] []

ADP Installation and Applications

Personal computer terminals were installed at each workstation in the CNC. In addition, interactive networks of printers and other peripherals were strategically placed about the center.

Efforts were initiated to extend the Agency's Multi-Media Information Exchange (MINX) system into the CNC. [] []

Other special purpose ADP equipment was also installed and readied for operation. A Geographical Information System was brought on line and is now being used [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Technical Activities and Operations

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Several other technical operations, the details of which cannot be discussed in this report, are in various stages of progress at this time.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SUPPORT TO AND LIAISON WITH OTHER USG AGENCIES

Interactions between TG officers and personnel from other USG agencies in the counternarcotics community occur on an almost daily basis and have been excellent. Several TG officers have been appointed to membership in interagency committees and functions and have been instrumental in influencing community-wide positions and actions. TG officers also are frequently asked to brief other agencies on the activities of the Group. In addition, an integral part of the CNC is the Community Coordination Group which is staffed by senior level officers from throughout the counternarcotics community. Very close and extremely frequent contact with those officers is maintained.

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FUTURE PLANS

In an attempt to address those technical issues which were perceived to require the most immediate attention, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] however, the list was truncated accordingly. It has since been expanded to its present form, as shown in Table II, to incorporate certain projects which will be supported by separate funds.

[REDACTED]

DESCRIPTIONS OF FY-1990 PROJECTS

[Redacted]

Surveys

[Redacted]

TG will sponsor similar surveys of other equipments which are believed to have utility in the CN arena. Such surveys may include such items as [Redacted] and related equipments.

Equipment

TG will procure, and assemble into fly-away kits, a variety of personal use items [Redacted] etc. This equipment will be available for use to all CNC personnel. Other equipment (TBD) having potential for use in CN activities will be purchased and evaluated.

Conversion Study

ONDCP S&T Committee

TG will provide funding to establish the Secretariat of the recently formed ONDCP S&T Committee which will function as a "clearing house" for future community RDT&E efforts. The Secretariat will be supported by community funds in the future.

FY1991

At the present time, it is expected that in FY1991 [redacted] will be allocated for S&T activities. As earlier envisioned, the bulk of that money was to be used for [redacted] projects. [redacted] was to be allocated to [redacted] In order to maintain the momentum begun with projects initially funded in FY1990, however, it is proposed that the breakdown of FY1991 funds be reallocated in the manner shown in Table III.

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TABLE III
PROPOSED REVISED ALLOCATION OF FY-1991 FUNDS

This reallocation does not presume that the originally proposed FY-1991 programs will not be funded. They will be funded at the originally proposed levels but from different sources.